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The Embassy will be closed Monday, July 4 in Observance of Independence Day.

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Inspections for vehicles are back in effect. The new deadline for the compulsory vehicle inspections is July 1st, 2011. All vehicles must pass this inspection in order

COMPULSORY VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

to remain on the road. There are two testing centers in the Maputo area. One in Zimpeto and one outside Matola on the N4 road. The price for the inspection is around 700 MZM depending on the size and type of vehicle. **DESIGNATION OF MOZAMBICAN COMPANIES UNDER THE KINGPIN ACT (Reminder)**

This is a *reissue*. On June 1, 2010, the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) designated, pursuant to the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act ("Kingpin Act"), three Mozambican

assisting in and/or acting for or on behalf of Mohamed Bachir Suleman, who was identified by the President of the United States on June 1, 2010 as a significant foreign narcotics trafficker. The designation prompted mandatory "blocking" or "freezing" of any U.S. assets of the three businesses. This designation remains in force. U.S. persons (U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents ("green card" holders), and U.S. companies or organizations and their subsidiaries) are prohibited from engaging in unlicensed transactions with foreign

businesses (Grupo MBS Limitada, Grupo MBS – Kayum Centre, and Maputo Shopping Centre) for materially

should they violate this prohibition. The U.S. Mission to Mozambique is considered a U.S. person and it or its entities cannot engage in official transactions with Mohamed Bachir Suleman ("MBS"), Grupo MBS Limitada, Grupo MBS – Kayum Centre, or Maputo Shopping Centre. For additional information please visit: http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/letter-president-regarding-foreign-narcotics-kingpin-designation-act http://www.treasury.gov/press/releases/tg729.htm

If you plan to travel outside Mozambique in the next few months and need a new passport or extra visa pages, please make sure you apply early. We recommend you check the entry/exit and visa requirements for all countries prior to booking your trip. Many countries require that a traveler's passport have at least six (6) months validity beyond the dates of the planned trip. Airlines usually will not allow travelers to board if this requirement is not met, and immigration officers will deny entry to travelers at the port of entry in these

persons and entities designated under the Kingpin Act, and U.S. persons face criminal and civil penalties

http://www.ustreas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/programs/narco/drugs.pdf http://www.ustreas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/actions/20100601.shtml

TRAVEL PLANS?

and completed and signed application. Please email us first at consularmaputo@state.gov for more

It is abundantly clear that economic concerns and lack of sufficient economic

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countries if a traveler arrives without the required six months validity.

If you are traveling outside Mozambique, don't forget to register your trip at http://www.travel.state.gov. Message from the Ambassador

If you need extra visa pages and don't live in Maputo, you can use a courier service to send us your passport

as saying that "economic creativity must be the next step in North Africa's spring." Perhaps we might say that it should be the next step in the entire continent's spring.

onald Kaberuka, presi-dent of the African Development Bank was re-cently quoted

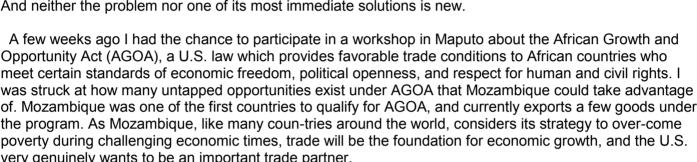
opportunity is on everyone's mind these days, including both the U.S. and Mozambique.

And neither the problem nor one of its most immediate solutions is new.

as well as increased exports to other key markets.

information.

of. Mozambique was one of the first countries to qualify for AGOA, and currently exports a few goods under the program. As Mozambique, like many coun-tries around the world, considers its strategy to over-come poverty during challenging economic times, trade will be the foundation for economic growth, and the U.S. very genuinely wants to be an important trade partner. We hope that the recent AGOA work-shop here as well as the AGOA Forum in Lusaka, and increased attention to the possibilities that AGOA offers will open new doors for increased trade between our nations,



Leslie V. Rowe